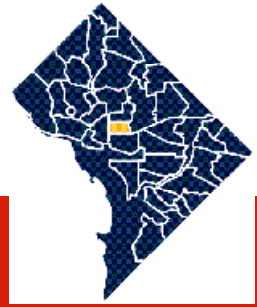


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Neighborhood Cluster

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Cluster 7 includes the neighborhoods located in the northeast corner of Ward 2. The Cluster includes the area within the boundaries of S Street on the north, New Jersey Avenue on the east, M Street on the south, and 15th Street on the west.

 Cluster  Parks  Water



Logan Circle/Shaw

Neighborhood Cluster 7

Logan Circle/Shaw



Physical Characteristics and Assets

The first development in this area started soon after the Civil War and the area was densely developed by the turn of the 20th century. This community is predominantly residential but also includes a significant amount of commercial development. The Cluster includes three primary commercial corridors: 7th Street, 9th Street, and 14th Street. The new convention center, located at the intersection of New York Avenue and Massachusetts Avenue, is stimulating development in the areas adjacent to 7th and 9th Street. The 14th Street area is maturing as an urban retail center; nightclubs have opened in recent years, and new businesses such as Whole Foods have opened and are thriving.

The housing market in Cluster 7 has become much more expensive during the last surge in the economy and has accelerated the rate of new residents moving to both Logan Circle/Shaw. The diverse mix of housing in this Cluster includes large and small single-family homes, apartments, condominiums, and cooperatives. Many homes are being rehabilitated throughout the Cluster, but there is still a concentration of vacant and abandoned buildings in the eastern half of this area.

Some highlights of Cluster 7's assets and features include the following:

- Immediate access to Metro's Green line at two stations: Mount Vernon Square and Shaw/Howard University.
- A rich history that includes numerous historic districts and historic sites, including the Mary McLeod Bethune Council

House, 14th Street and Logan Circle Historic District, Shaw Historic District, Blagden Alley Historic District and parts of the U Street Historic District.



- A diverse housing stock, including large and small townhouses, condominiums, cooperatives, high-rise apartments, and garden apartments, as well as a strong real estate market.
- A Heritage Trail that will soon be developed to tell the history of the residential and commercial neighborhoods of Shaw.
- Proximity to 14th Street and U Street, plus vibrant shopping and entertainment districts that are within walking distance.
- Home to the Studio Theater, which was founded and located in Logan Circle Street in 1975, as well as other performing arts venues such as the Metro Café and the Playbill Café.
- Chain Reaction (1701 6th Street NW), which is a youth bike shop that is operated exclusively with youth mechanics and provides kids with the opportunity to learn how to repair and recycle bikes so that more people can have a safe, affordable, and pollution-free transportation.
- The Shaw Heritage Trust, which recently submitted an award-winning Main Street application to ReStore DC, a District initiative targeting reinvestment in neighborhood commercial districts that will commit \$500,000 to the 14th Street and U Street corridors over the next 5 years.

Recent Neighborhood Activity

- Kennedy Playground—The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) invested \$3.5 million in a new recreational facility for the site.
- The Emerson, 1220 N Street NW—The complete restoration and conversion of this existing apartment building will include 12 luxury units.
- The Icon, 1320 13th Street—This new apartment building is located immediately adjacent to the Logan Circle Historic District.
- Post Massachusetts Avenue, 1499 Massachusetts Avenue NW—The 15-story apartment building features a business center, a fitness center, an underground parking deck, and a rooftop terrace with a pool sundeck and garden.